

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:

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## <u>PETITION TO REVIVE UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)</u>

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner to revive the above-captioned application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) and MPEP 711.03(c), in order to revive an abandoned application, the petition must be accompanied by (1) the required reply to the outstanding Office Action or notice, unless previously filed, (2) a petition fee, and (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to this paragraph was unintentional.

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To this end, Applicant encloses: (1) a Continuation Application, (2) the fee required for revival of an unintentionally abandoned application pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m), and (3) an Affidavit stating that the entire delay was unintentional.

Attached hereto is an Affidavit stating that the entire delay, from the due date for filing a response to the outstanding Non-Final Office Action dated June 28, 2006 for the above-captioned application until the filing of a grantable petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), was unintentional and providing further information related to the delay.

The Examiner is encouraged to consider the Affidavit carefully.

The amount of \$1,500.00 to cover the Petition Fee as required by 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.137(b)(2) and 1.17(m) should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (T4289-002-10). The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiencies or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1165 (T4289-002-10).

Respectfully submitted,

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